

Conestoga marks 10 years of celebrating excellence in trades & apprenticeship

More than 220 awards valued at over \$343,000 were presented to students at Conestoga's 10th annual Trades & Apprenticeship Awards on May 22. Hosted at the John W. Tibbits campus in Waterloo, the event recognized students' outstanding achievements in the motive power, construction and industrial trades.

Conestoga President John Tibbits welcomed students and their families as well as donors and members of the college community to the event, which is believed to be the largest awards presentation of its kind in Canada. He also thanked industry partners and sponsors for their considerable support, which has resulted in more than \$1.3 million awarded directly to students over the past decade.



CCMPA executive director Marina de Souza (second from left) with the award winners

New this year was the Don Gosen Scholarship, given to students in the Electrical Technician -- Industrial program with the highest marks at the end of their second year. A two-time graduate of Conestoga, Don Gosen has been described as the Ontario apprenticeship program's greatest champion. He sponsored more than 70 apprentices throughout his four decades as president of Gosen Electric before ceding the company to three of his former trainees. The scholarship was established in honour of Gosen's 2018 Premier's Award.



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Conestoga's 10th annual Trades & Apprenticeship Awards (cont.)

To see all the photos from the awards ceremony, please click the link below:

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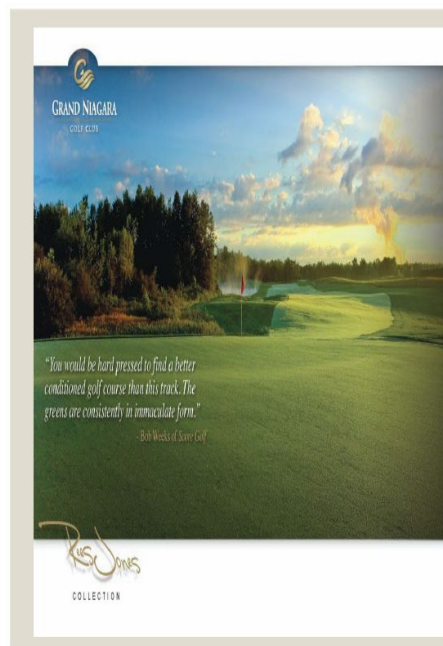
And to read more on the awards, click the following link:

http://blogs1.conestogac.on.ca/news/2019/05/student_success_celebrated_at.php

Upcoming Events

CCMPA Annual General Meeting & John Grimo Classic Golf Tournament

September 12, 2019 at the Grand Niagara Golf Club, Niagara on the Lake



CCMPA
Annual General Meeting
&
Golf Tournament
WHITE OAKS RESORT
GRAND NIAGARA GOLF CLUB

**THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER
12TH 2019**





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Conestoga recognizes the support of CCMPA

CCMPA Executive Director Marina de Souza was on hand at Conestoga's awards ceremony to receive the college's recognition of the longstanding support CCMPA has provided to these kinds of programs.

"What you do here, counts out there!" the letter of recognition (below) notes. "Your gift ensures that students will continue to pursue a post-secondary education with lasting, positive outcomes."

CCMPA believes strongly in the importance of education as a means to ensure continued industry growth and innovation.

Trades & Apprenticeship

Awards Presentation
and Barbeque

2019

Wednesday, May 22, 2019

Marina de Souza

Brick and Stone Mason
Apprenticeship, Level 3
Donor



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June 3, 2019

Ms. Marina de Souza
Canadian Concrete Masonry Producers Association
1500 Avenue Rd
PO Box 1345
Toronto, ON M5M 3X0

Dear Ms. de Souza:

Because of your support, we are able to help our students reach their greatest potential.

Through the gift of philanthropy you are touching lives every day. Thanks to your generosity Conestoga continues to maintain its high standard of academic excellence while supporting students and the ongoing needs of our community. As requested, your gift of \$10,000.00 has been directed to the Canadian Concrete Masonry Producers' Association Entrance Scholarship.

"Thank you for your generous contributions to the students of Conestoga. We are very appreciative to all the kind donors that help shape the future leaders of tomorrow and for allowing me to gain the knowledge to become the best version of myself. I can assure you that your kindness will not go to waste as I also will look to pay it forward and invest in the future generations to ensure everyone has a chance to live their dreams."
Scott – Bus Admin

Your support of Conestoga's student awards program helps students, like Scott. Our students work hard every day and your gift gives them the support and encouragement they need to be the best they can be. Thank you for providing the resources to students who will accomplish great things.

What you do here, counts out there! Your gift ensures that students will continue to pursue a post-secondary education with lasting, positive outcomes.

Please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Julie Gillis – Manager, Donor Relations and Stewardship (ext. 3285) if you have any questions. Thank you again for your generosity.

Yours sincerely,

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